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Application No.: 09/706,431

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Walker et al. Group Art Unit: 3713 Application No.: 09/706,431 Examiner: Julie Brocketti (703) 308-7306 /voice (703) 872-9302 /fax Filed: November 3, 2000 **AMENDMENT & RESPONSE ELECTRONIC AMUSEMENT** For: To the Non-Final Office Action DEVICE AND METHOD FOR Mailed July 25, 2002 (Paper No. 13) **OPERATING SAME** Attorney Docket No.: 97-169-C1 *(PLEASE NOTE New Docket Number) Customer No.: 22927

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed July 25, 2002 (Paper No. 13), entry of the following amendment and consideration of the following remarks are respectfully requested.

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